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The following information was obtained in Frankfurt/Oder
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1. _____

a. Occupied to capacity by about 1,500 troops, including re-
cruits, of an AAA unit. The majority of the soldiers were
between 18 and 20 years of age.

b. forty 76.2-mm AT guns, eighteen 37-mm AA guns and four
heavy machine guns on tripod mounts were observed.

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2. _____

a. Occupied to capacity by about 600 troops wearing red-bordered
black epaulets with tank and artillery insignia.

b. One 57-mm AT gun, six 76.2-mm AT guns, five 120-mm mortars and
three tanks were observed.

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3. Former Michhorn Kaserne (divided into two sections by a fence)
on Luellroserlandstrasse:

a. The northeastern section served as quarters for transient
soldiers (going on, or returning from, furlough). Many trans-
ient soldiers of all branches of service were observed.

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b. The southeastern section was occupied by about 600 troops of an infantry unit, including about four hundred 18 to 20-year-old recruits. The unit was commanded by Lt Col Rudich.

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a. Occupied to capacity by about 500 troops of a tank unit, possibly including submachine gunners. Most of the observed soldiers wore tank insignia.

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b. Four tanks, four SP guns

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5.

Occupied by about 100 troops allegedly belonging to an armored reconnaissance unit. One kaserne building was used as transient officers' billets. There was little motor vehicle traf-

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b. Four armored reconnaissance cars were seen in a garage.

c. The kaserne had been occupied by about 400 troops. Three hundred troops left at the beginning of the maneuver period and had not returned.

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6.

a. Occupied by about 600 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, some with tank insignia, some with eagle-insignia.

b. Nineteen heavy tanks (of two different types), ten 37-mm AT guns, two 57-mm AT guns and two 76.2-mm artillery pieces were observed.

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a. Occupied to capacity by about 600 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank and artillery insignia.

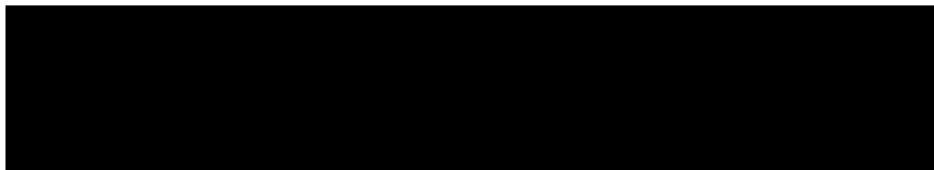
b. Five heavy tanks, twenty-one 76.2-mm guns without muzzle brake (blocked up near the target range, with the barrels elevated) three 76.2-mm guns with muzzle brake, ten 37-mm AT guns and nine 100-mm mortars were observed.

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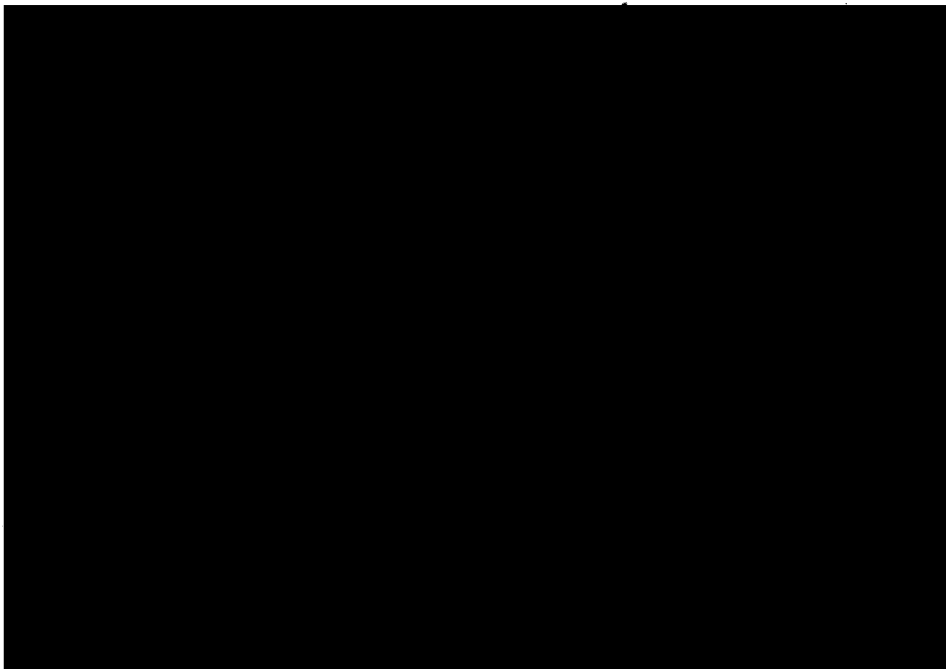
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8. The kommandatura building was occupied by about 100 troops wearing black-bordered red epaulets and red-bordered green epaulets.
9. guard personnel on duty in the ration supply depot came from the former Infanterie Kaserne.

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